## Biographical Sketch of LTC Robert A. Bean



LTC Robert A. Bean graduated from Whitman College in Walla Walla, Washington in 1981 with a Bachelors Degree in Political Science. He was commissioned in 1985 through the Reserve Officer Training Corps as an Armor Officer and received a Master of Public Administration degree from the University of Colorado, in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

LTC Bean's initial military assignment was as a Tank Platoon Leader at Fort Hood, Texas. He rotated to Germany, with the Army's first "Armor Cohort Battalion" and served as a Platoon Leader, Supply Officer, a Company Executive Officer, and as a member of the 3rd Armor Division's Canadian Army Trophy Team. In 1989 he joined the Military Intelligence (MI) Corps and served in various assignments as a Training Officer, Primary Staff Officer, and as a Company Commander. He also served in the CENTCOM J2 during Desert Storm.

LTC Bean entered the Army Acquisition Corps in 1993. He attended the Naval Postgraduate School in

Monterey, California and in 1995 received a Master of Science in Management. He served as a Division Chief for the Common Ground Station Advanced Technology Demonstration for the Intelligence and Electronic Warfare Division in Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. In 1996, LTC Bean departed active duty and joined private business in the Information Technology field as a program manager in business development. In 1996, LTC Bean joined the Army Reserve and served in the capacity of a Simulation Exercise Group MI Senior Observer Trainer and the unit Security Manager.

He returned to active duty as an Active Guard/Reserve Soldier in December 2002. He then served as the Assistant Product Manager for Force Provider and for the Electronic Shop Vans Recapitalization Programs in Natick, Massachusetts. His last assignment was Chief for the Army Reserve's Combined Functional Area Management Division and Chief of the Reserve Acquisition Career Management Office with Human Resources Command in Saint Louis, Missouri.

LTC Bean is a graduate of the Armor Officer Basic Course, the Military Intelligence Officer Advanced Course, the Combined Arms Staff Service School, the Marine Amphibious Warfare School, the Army Command and General Staff College and the Defense Systems Management College's Advanced Program Management Course.

His awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster, the Army Commendation Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Joint Meritorious Unit Award, the Meritorious Unit Commendation Award, the Army Achievement Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster.